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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

**Box PATENT APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is being filed concurrently with a Request to File a Continuation Application. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Specification

At page 1, the Title is amended as follows and as indicated in the marked up version included with this response as Attachment A:

MOLECULAR COMPOUNDS HAVING COMPLEMENTARY SURFACES TO TARGETS

At page 1, the paragraph starting at line 7 is amended as follows and as indicated in the marked up version included with this response as Attachment A:

This application is a continuation of copending U.S. patent application serial no. 09/172,921, filed October 14, 1998, which claims the benefit of U.S. provisional patent application serial no. 60/061,805, filed October 14, 1997, and U.S. provisional patent application serial no. 60/103,616, filed October 9, 1998, the disclosures of which are incorporated herein by reference in their entirety.

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